

**From:** Mrs. Richard H. Boydston, Sr.  
**To:** Commissioner Adelstein  
**Date:** Thu, Jun 5, 2003 3:35 PM  
**Subject:** Comments to the Commissioner

Mrs. Richard H Boydston, Sr. (rboydstun@telepak.net) writes:

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To: senator@hutchison.senate.gov , conrad\_burns@burns.senate.gov ;  
senator\_stevens@stevens.senate.gov ; senator@hollings.senate.gov ;  
senator\_mccain@mccain.senate.gov

Cc: Honorable Trent Lott ; senator@dorgan.senate.gov ; olympia@snowe.senate.gov

Sent: Thursday, June 05, 2003 2:36 PM

Subject: FCC Overhaul

I wish to express my disapproval of the FCC's actions to further deregulate restrictions on the media. Yes, times have changed. businesses, including the media industry, are bigger and more powerful. Governments are more powerful. Many, many people who are involved in the government are also involved in some manner in those businesses. It's more important today that we have fair, honest and unbiased reporting than it has ever been in our history. Deregulation of the media industry will certainly insure that citizens are told "what the government and industry want us to know, when they want us to know it and the view with which they want us to perceive their information." You have only to do some investigating to discover the vast holdings of a particular company to see that freedom in this country is jeopardized by the actions of the FCC board. When I sought information on the Jackson, Mississippi paper, learned it was owned by the Gannett Company, I was flabbergasted to see they are an international media company with newspapers across the world! Not only do they have newspapers, they own television stations covering 17.7 percent of the USA, websites here in the US and in the UK. They also own an advertising group, telemarketing company, a database marketing company, a direct marketing company and more. AOL-Time Warner is similarly as vast. There are only a few major media companies controlling a majority of the news business. Further, I find it appalling that a group of only five people have the authority to pass regulations which will influence the entire world! Realizing that Congressmen can step in with authority, I am urging you to use your influence to counteract the actions of the three FCC commissioners who stupidly voted to deregulate the media industry and jeopardized freedom of information and freedom of speech.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Richard H. Boydston, Sr.  
Louisville, MS 39339

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**From:** Lawrence Quilici  
**To:** Commissioner Adelstein  
**Date:** Thu, Jun 5, 2003 3 40 PM  
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Lawrence Quilici (lquilici@hotmail.com) writes

AFFIRMATIONS AND CONGRATUALTIONS ON A VERY GREAT JOB WELL DONE! I enjoyed watching your articulation, information and resolve to STAND UP FOR WHAT YOU BELIEVE IN and representing the Majority of Americans on the FCC vote and at the Congressional Hearing. You and Copps are TERRIFIC!!!!

The American public distrust CORPORATIONS stealing our electricity (Enron), swindeling our phone system (WorldCom), controlling our Internet (Microsoft), hijacking our political election (Bush), and now robbing our AIR WAVES! Telemarketers invade our homes and cellphones disrupt safe driving WHERE ARE THE EFFECTIVE WATCHDOGS ON THE WASHINGTON BELTWAY??? APPRECIATE YOUR DEDICATION TO SPEAK FOR ALL OF US OUT THERE!!!!!! Dont let the bastards get you down Hospice Chaplain in Tucson, AZ

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**From:** jlconk@yahoo.com  
**To:** Kathleen Abernathy  
**Date:** Thu, Jun 5, 2003 3:43 PM  
**Subject:** Please Act to Stop Media Monopolies

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**Subject:** Oppose media deregulation and demand public hearings

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**From:** greg wilcox  
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greg wilcox (gregoryawilcox@cs.com) writes:

I oppose the decision by the FCC to allow more consolidation of media by large companies. I hope that you will help reduce the gulf between America's rhetoric about itself (democracy, meritocracy, etc.) and its reality (government by the rich, for the rich) by opposing and reversing the decision.

It is interesting, no affirmative action for black people at colleges, but plenty of affirmative action for sons of 'made' men. I.E. Bush Jr and Powell Jr get jobs that they would not have if they were born to other fathers. Meritocracy, rightttttttttt.

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